



Centroid KP-1 CNC Touch Probe

CNC Software version: CNC12 V.5.24+

Models: Acorn/AcornSix/Allin1DC/Oak/Hickory CNC



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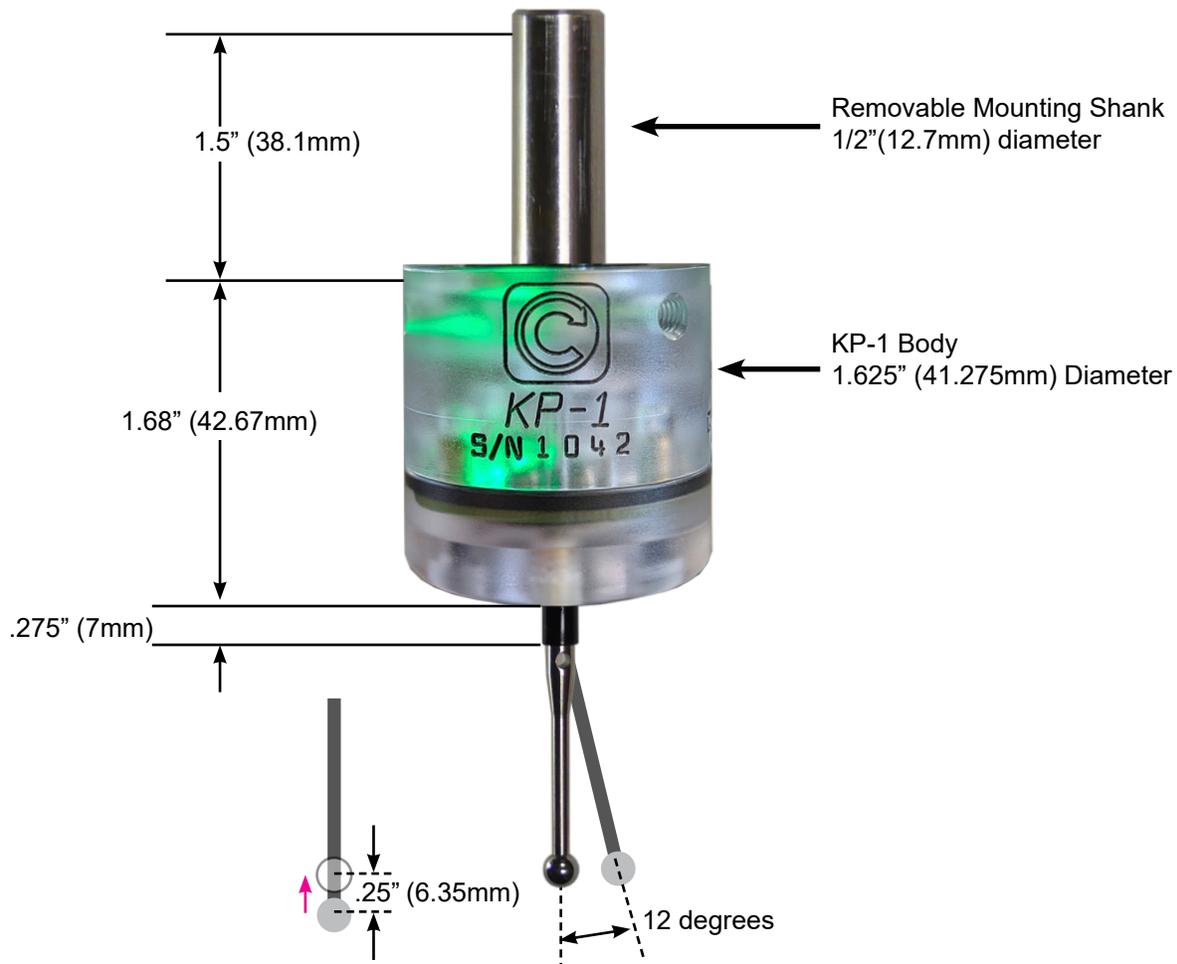
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KP-1 Description

The KP-1 is a CNC Touch Probe intended for probing to find part zero's, reference positions, locate bores, bases, corners etc., and digitizing which allows for the copying of surfaces and shaped objects. The user should first become familiar with the various parts and features of the probe as shown below to facilitate assembly, installation, operation and calibration. Read the stylus installation and alignment procedures section before attempting assembly. Review the over-travel limits shown in the specifications. Exceeding the limits will damage the probe and stylus.

KP-1 Specifications

- Probing directions X+/-, Y+/-, Z-
- Unidirectional repeatability (2 sigma) 0.0001" (2.54 micron)
- Practical use on good milling machine .0005"
- Probe deflection force (X,Y) 3 ounce minimum with 40mm stylus
- Probe deflection force (Z) 15 ounce minimum
- Probe body diameter and length D= 1.625" (41.275mm) L= 1.68" (42.67mm)
- Mounting shank diameter and length D= 0.5" (12.7mm) L= 1.50" (37.3mm)
- Stylus mount thread M3 thread
- Power supply: KP-1 Operates on 12 to 24 VDC
- LED status indicator red when triggered, green when not triggered.
- Weight of probe and 1/2" shank 0.40 lb
- Over travel limit angle (X,Y) +/- 12 degrees from vertical
- Over travel limit (Z-) 0.25" (6.25mm)
- Environmental IP64
- Patented concentric alignment (spindle/tool holder/probe body run out adjustment)



KP-1 Acorn Kit Components



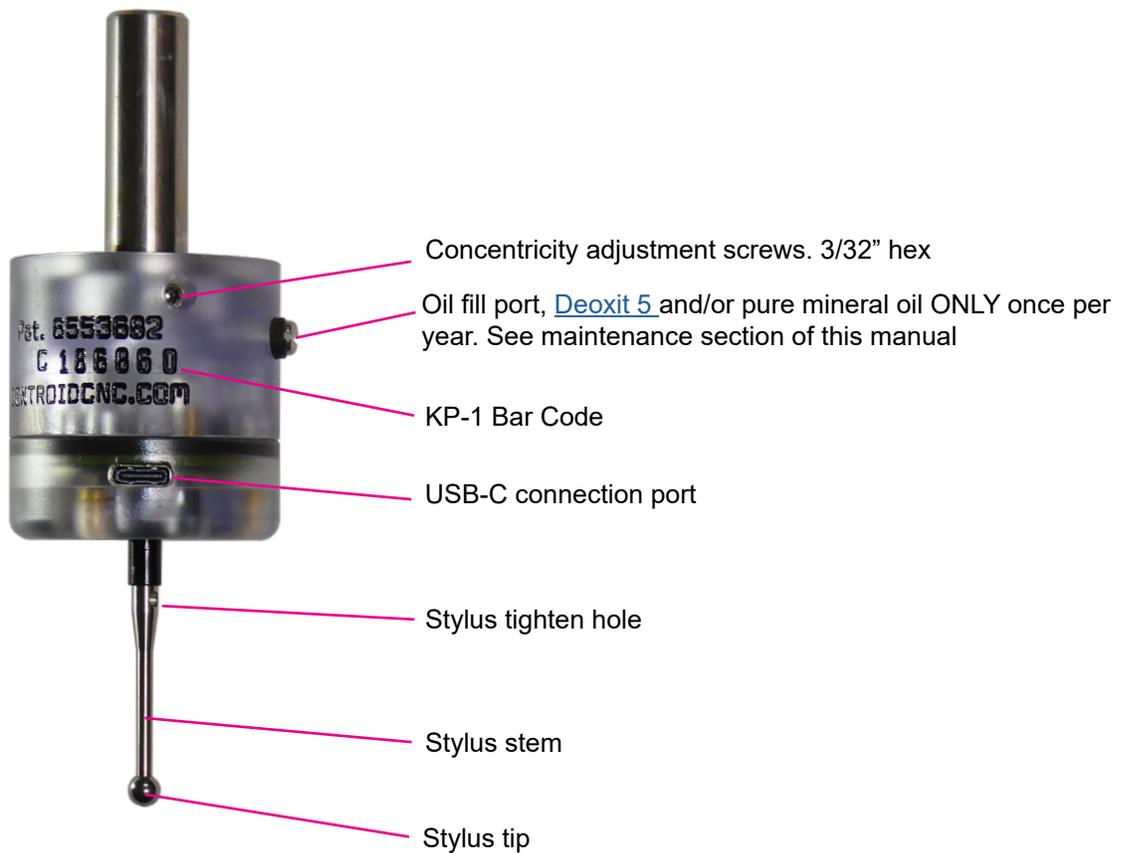
KP-1 kit with Flying Lead cable for Acorn/AcornSix/Hickory

KP-1 Acorn kit part# 15460

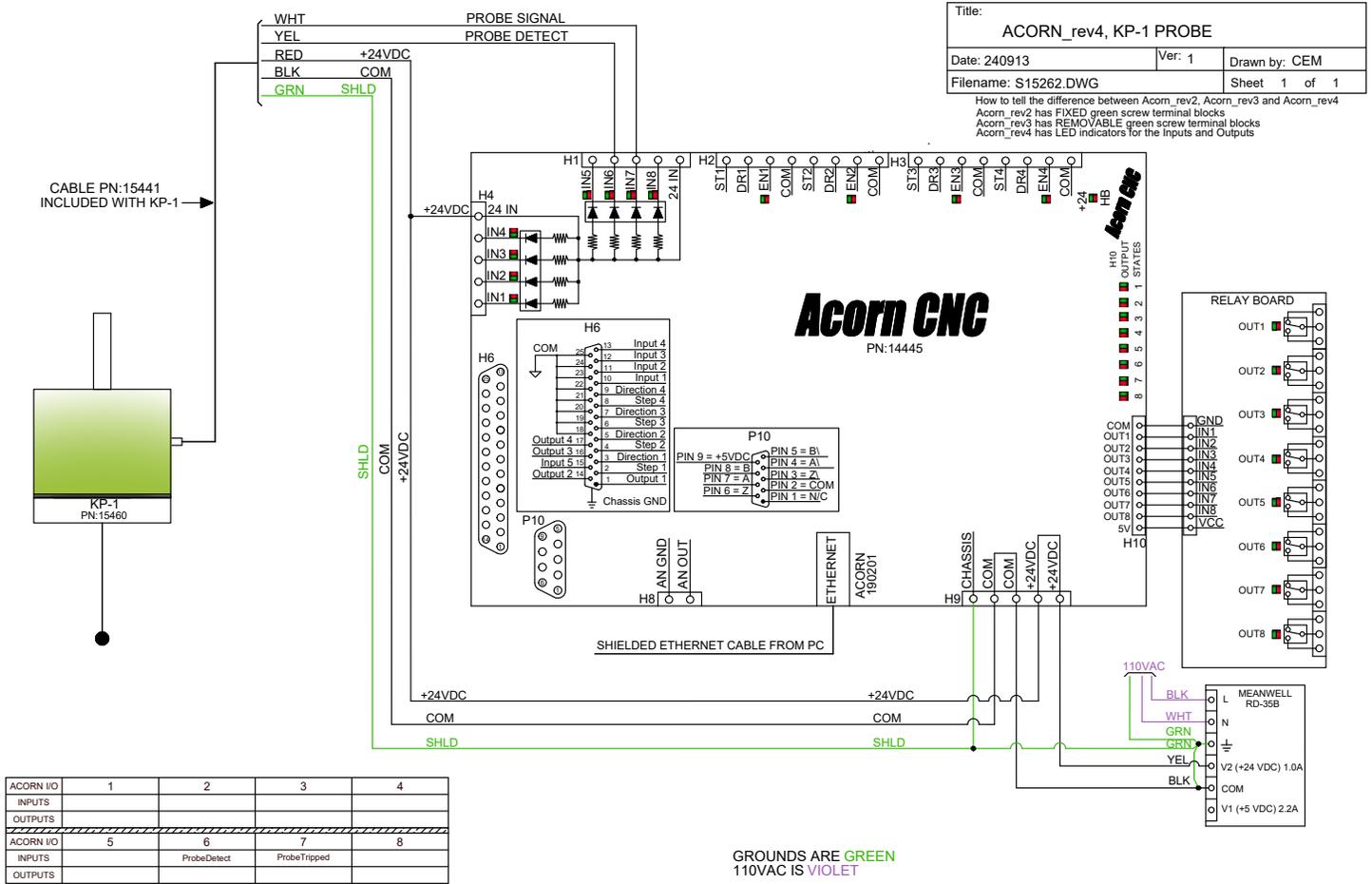
- KP-1 probe
- 5 mm x 30mm Stainless Steel stylus (#2904)
- Stylus Tightening Pin
- KP-1 to Acorn/AcornSix/Hickory flying lead hookup cable
- KP-1 to Acorn/AcornSix/Hickory schematic download

Mounting: The standard 1/2" mounting shank design allows installation in commonly available tool holders. Other mounting options can be created by the user and installed on the KP-1 by loosening the run-out adjustment screws and removing the stock 1/2" mounting shank from the body of the probe.

KP-1 Identification



KP-1 Wiring to Acorn



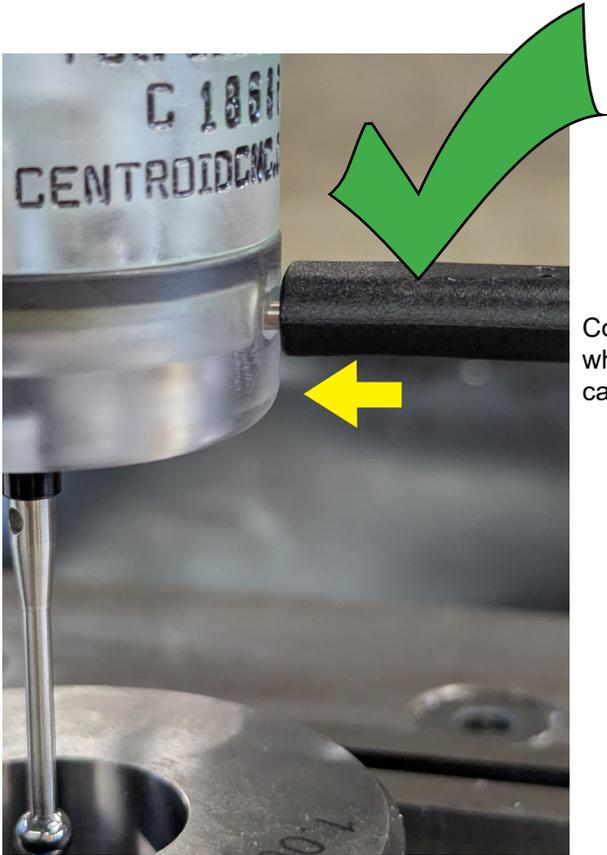
Download full size PDF's of all Acorn schematics including this KP-1 to Acorn hookup schematic on the Centroid Hook up schematics web page. Use the search to narrow the results. "KP-1" to view all KP-1 hookup schematics. (AcornSix/Hickory/Oak/Allin1DC etc) https://www.centroidcnc.com/centroid_diy/schematics/pbrowse.php

If it is necessary to extend the KP-1 cable. Typically this can be accomplished several ways

- 1.) Simply extend the flying lead wires by soldering and heat shrinking on additional length of similar wire.
- 2.) Run the flying lead wires to a terminal strip and use another piece of cable to run from the terminal strip to the Acorn.

KP-1 Probe cable connector

Connect the provided USB-C cable connector into the KP-1 body and fully seat the plug!



Correct! Probe cable connector is fully seated. Strain relieve cable when in use so probe/machine movement does not pull on the cable.



Incorrect, probe cable connector is not fully seated.

KP-1 Acorn/AcornSix/Hickory Wizard configuration

Mill CNC Control Configuration Wizard

1.) Select the Probe input type from the drop down box

Input Type: Probe

2.) Click and drag "ProbeDetect" and "ProbeTripped" to inputs 6 and 7 respectively

Primary System

- Axis Drive Type
- Input Definitions**
- Output Definitions

Axis

- Configuration
- Homing and Travel
- Axes Pairing
- Advanced

Spindle

- Setup

Touch Devices

- Probe
- Tool Touch Off

Control Peripheral

- Input Devices
- Wireless MPG

DB25 Connector

- Mapping

Preferences

- CNC Control
- Wizard
- VCP Aux Keys

Acorn Integrated Inputs 1-8

NC	NO	Definition
1		IN1
2		IN2
3		IN3
4		IN4
5		IN5 DriveOk
6		IN6
7		IN7
8		IN8 EStopOk

Click and Drag an Input function definition from list to the Input number Definition box to assign a function to an input.

Click the Input number circle to toggle the input state from NC to NO. Note: Probe Input states are determined in the Probe setup menus.

Ether1616 Expansion

A0	10	Definition
33		IN1
34		IN2
35		IN3
36		IN4
37		IN5
38		IN6
39		IN7
40		IN8
41		IN9
42		IN10
43		IN11
44		IN12
45		IN13
46		IN14
47		IN15
48		IN16

Mill CNC Control Configuration Wizard

Input Type: Probe

3.) Click and drag "DriveOk" to input 5

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KP-1 Acorn/AcornSix/Hickory Wizard configuration

- 1.) Select the Probe menu under “Touch Devices”
- 2.) Choose “KP-1” in the Probe Type Drop down menu.
- 3.) Press Write Settings to CNC control and follow the instructions on the screen.

Router CNC Control Configuration Wizard

Touch Probe Configuration

1.) Touch Devices

- Touch Probe
- Tool Touch Off
- Touch Plate

2.) Probe PLC input: Input 7

Probe type: KP-1

Input state when tripped: Closed*

*Probe Setup Documentation (PDF)

Probe tool number: 10

Fast probe rate: 12

Slow probe rate: 5

Recovery distance: 0.05

Maximum probing distance: 10

Probe Protection Enabled: Yes

Probe Protection based on Tool Number: Yes

Display Warning to Verify that Probe is functioning properly: Yes

Inhibit Spindle when Detect is on (Green): Yes

	Axis 1	Axis 2	Axis 3	Axis 4
Probe Slow Jog (in/min)	10	10	10	10
Probe Fast Jog (-) (in/min)	50	50	10	50
Probe Fast Jog (+) (in/min)	50	50	50	50

3.) Write Settings to CNC Control Configuration

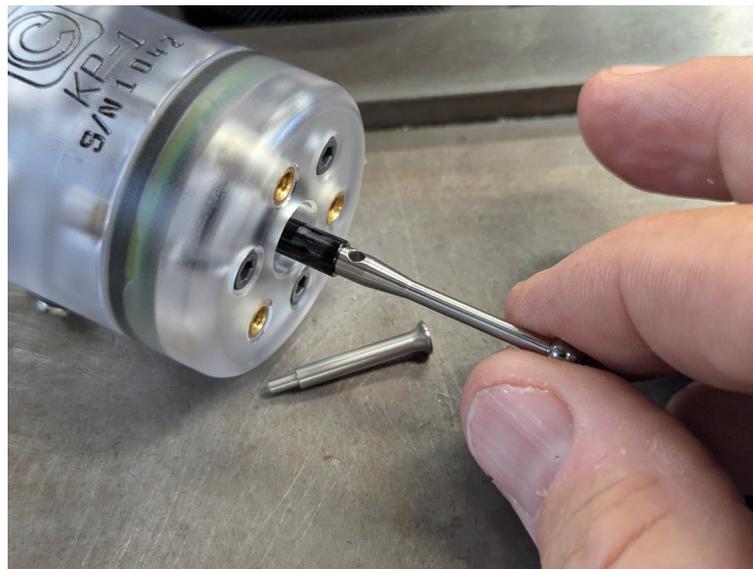
KP-1 Stylus installation

See the KP-1 Unboxing video for a demonstration on how to install the stylus in the KP-1
<https://youtu.be/HbOMSKYuy6g>

Step 1: Inspect the threads and mating surfaces of the stylus and stylus mount boss. They must be clean and free of defects. The stylus mount boss is M3 thread. Only use M3 thread styli.

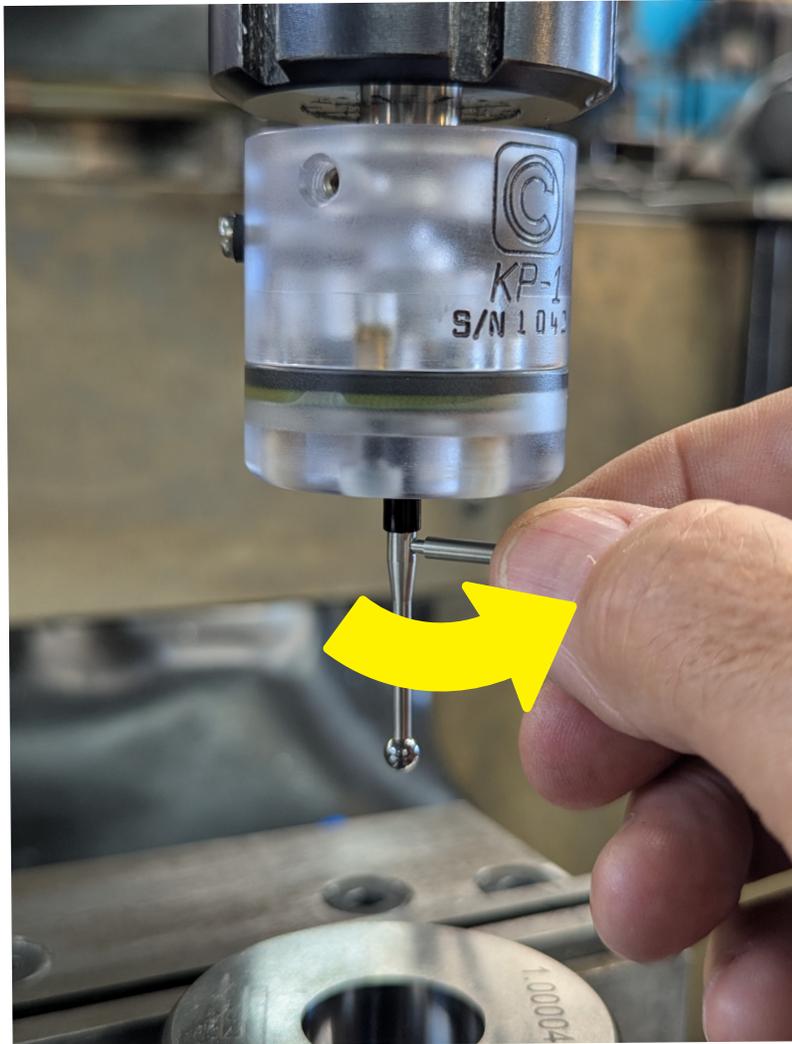


STEP 2: Thread the stylus into the probe stylus mount boss using fingers only. The shoulder of the stylus threads should meet the face of the stylus mount boss with minimal twisting effort. If there is a gap between the shoulder of the stylus threads and the boss face that can not be closed using just fingers to turn the stylus then remove the stylus and clean and check threads. Be sure stylus is M3 thread! If gap still can not be closed try another stylus. **DO NOT FORCE THE THREADS!** This step must be completed successfully before proceeding!



KP-1 Stylus installation

STEP 3: Finish tightening the stylus by inserting the stylus wrench in the stylus wrench hole and slowly tighten. Snug the stylus until the probe begins to deflect and when you feel a mild but firm stop has been reached stop applying torque, the stylus is now completely tight. Applying too much torque can damage the probe or stylus.

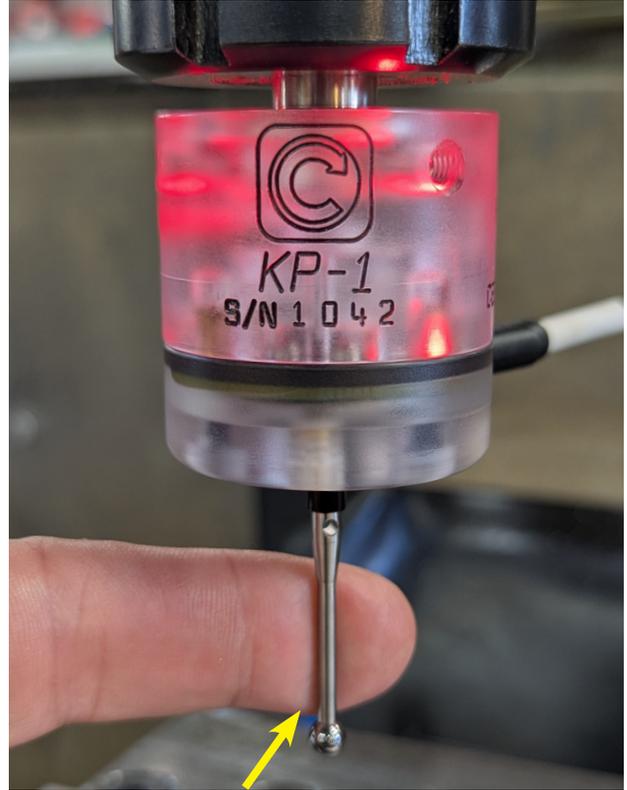
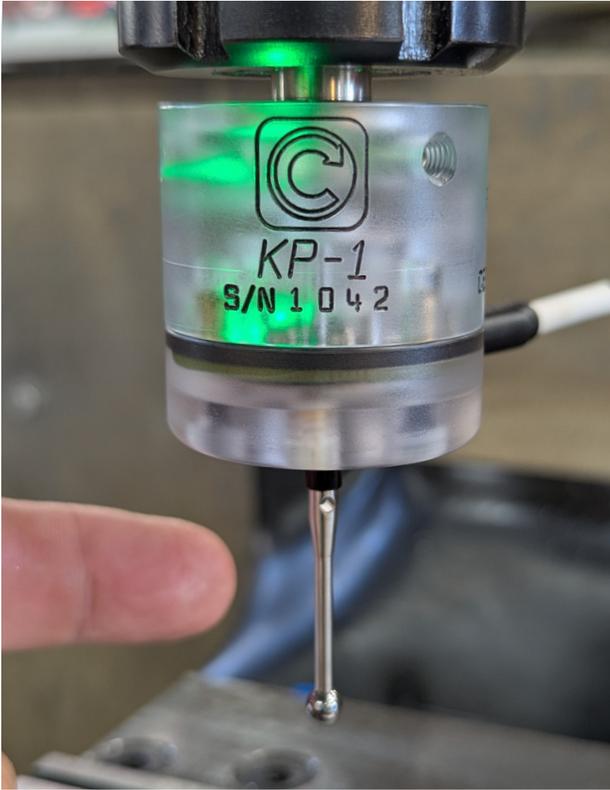


Stylus Removal: If the stylus must be removed insert a pin in the stylus wrench hole and slowly loosen. The stylus mount boss will turn with the stylus and begin to retract into the probe then firmly stop. When the firm stop has been reached apply a small amount of additional torque to break the threads free. If excessive torque is required grasp the stylus mount boss with smooth jaw pliers to prevent damage to the probe. If the stylus was installed correctly it will not require excessive force to remove it.

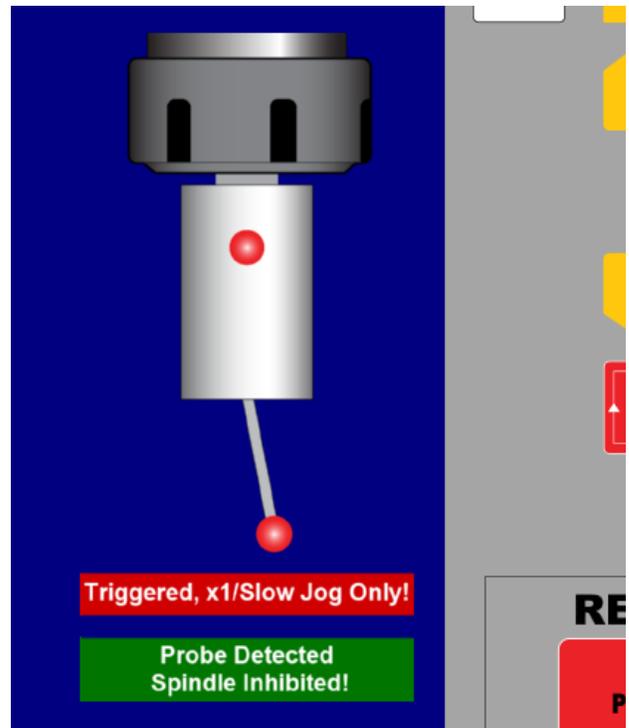
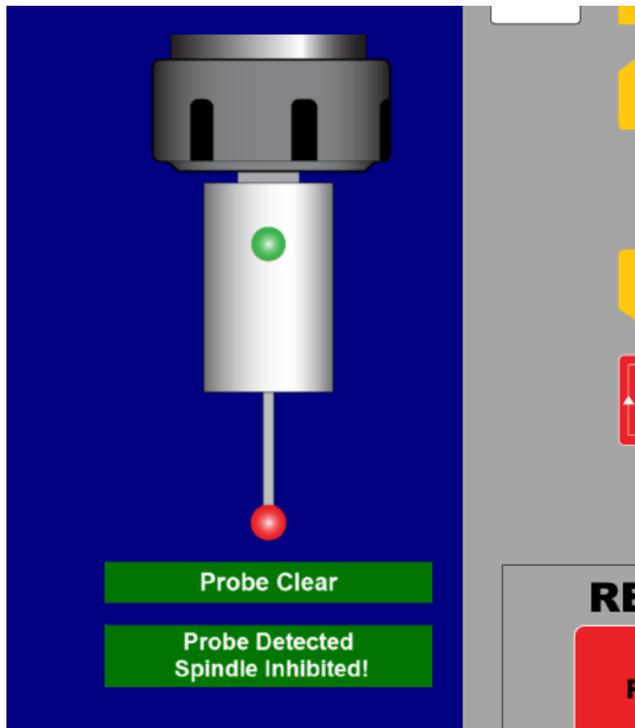
Testing the KP-1

“Bench test” the KP-1, you can have the probe on the bench or in the spindle whatever is safest.

- 1.) Enter into the CNC12 Probing Cycle menu, F1 Setup, F1 Part, F5 Probe, pick F1 Bore probing cycle.
- 2.) With the KP-1 plugged in (make sure Plug is FULLY seated!), manually trigger the probe by gently touching the stylus to trigger the probe observe the Probe state indicator graphic on the screen. If the probe is configured and wired properly the Probe tripped graphic on the screen will indicate that the probe has been tripped.



Gently trigger with finger while running a probing cycle in air to test probe before using the Touch Probe



Test before every use!

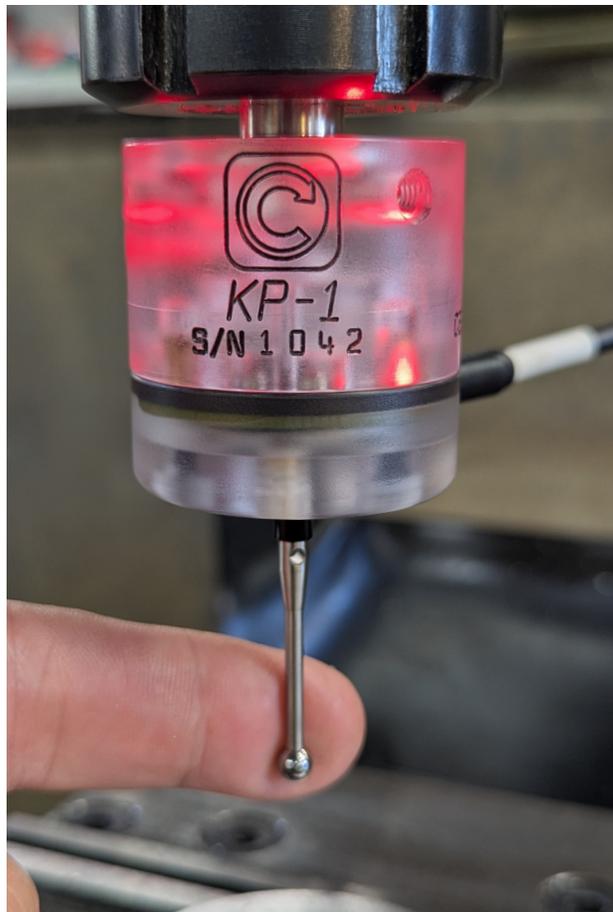
Even after the initial setup and operational verification it is always good practice to get in the habit of manually checking the probe to confirm that it is functioning every time BEFORE running a probing cycle to prevent a Probe crash. This quick test is easy and will save you heart ache by verifying that the probe is plugged in and functioning before running an automatic probing cycle.

To manually test a Touch Probe using a Automatic probing cycle.

1.) With the KP-1 plugged in (make sure Plug is FULLY seated!) and in the machine tool. Turn down the Feed Rate Override to 10 or 20%.

2.) Position the Touch Probe in the center of the X Y travel of the machine tool.

3.) With the Touch Probe in clear space start the Center of Bore probing cycle, the probe will begin to move to seek out the edges of the bore at the quadrants, at this slow speed you'll have plenty of time to trip the probe with your fingers to verify that it is working. No need to complete the probing cycle, cancel at anytime once the probe functionality has been verified.

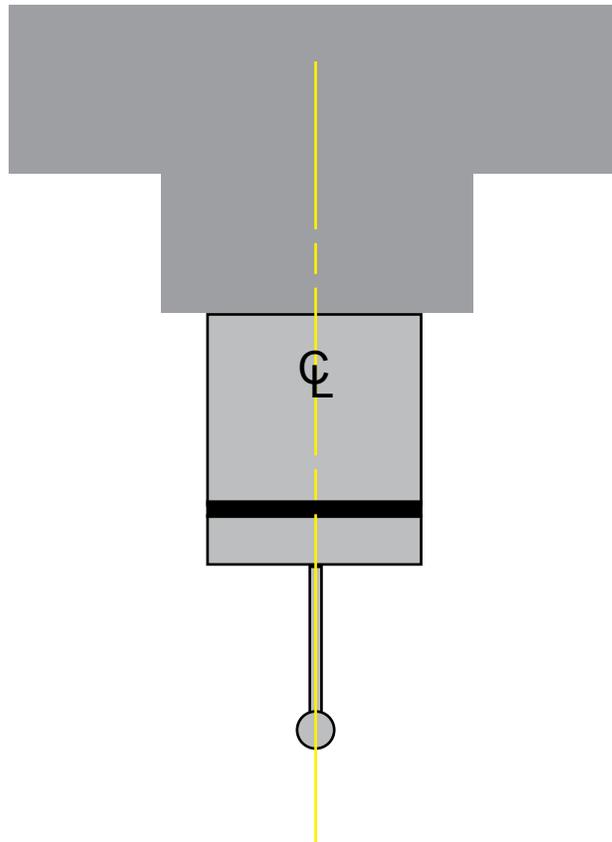


Touch Probe Alignment

Now that you know the probe works and is triggering properly along with a probing cycle we need to make sure the probe stylus tip is concentric with the spindle and then the probe will be ready to use!

Probe Alignment: Center the Ball of the stylus so that it is concentric with the spindle

Using an indicator and the three run out adjustment screws on the body of the probe we will adjust the concentricity of stylus ball to be concentric with the spindle. This adjustment will place the center of the stylus ball in center of the spindle axis (stylus tip run-out)



Touch Probe Concentricity

Probe “run-out” is the amount the probe tip moves an indicator as the spindle is rotated. Run-out adjustment is necessary to ensure that the center of the probe tip is aligned with the center of the spindle rotation axis. This eliminates any undesired off-sets between the probe and the cutting tool centers when digitizing or doing automated part set-up.

When to Check Probe Run Out:

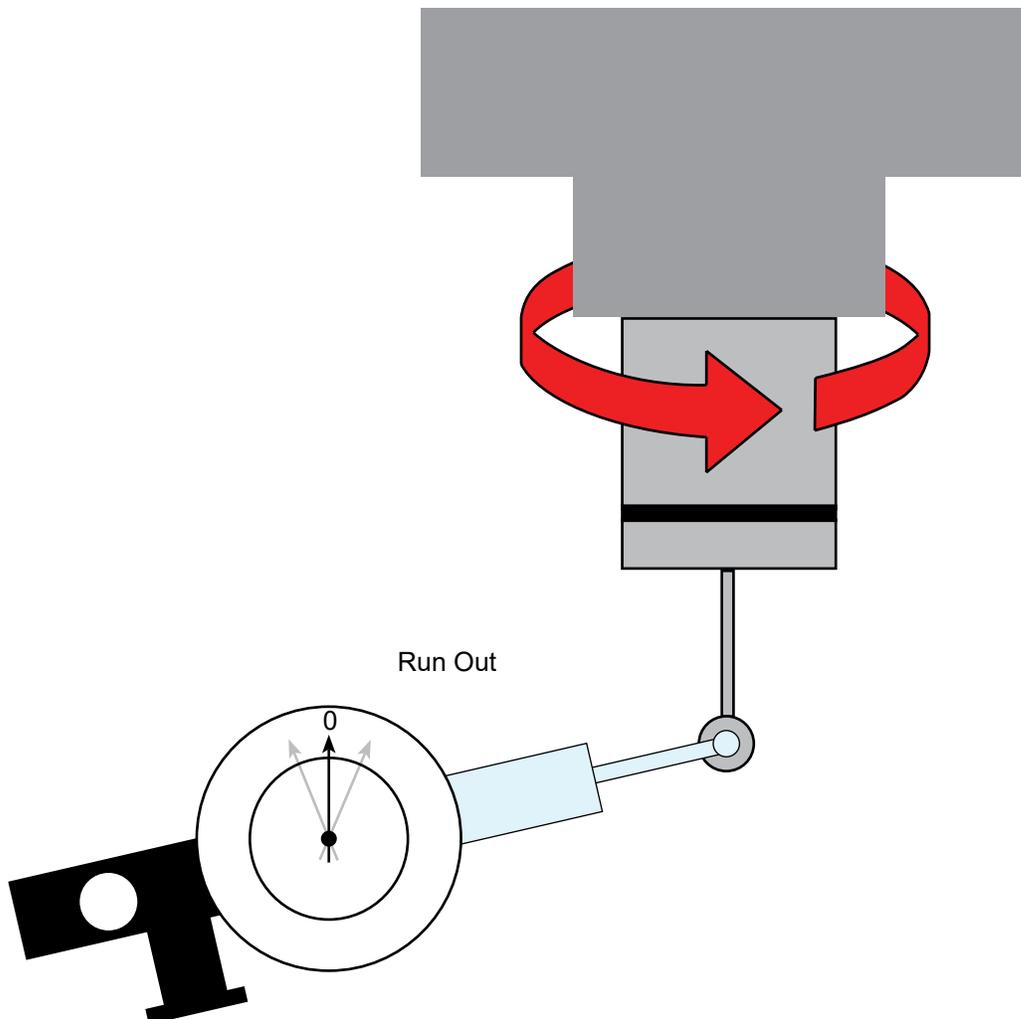
Any time the probe is removed from its holder, the stylus is changed or the probe is used in a different machine, the alignment procedure should be repeated to ensure accuracy. The user should also repeat the alignment procedure if the unit is dropped or receives any sudden external shock. It is good practice to periodically check alignment for quality control and to establish a base line maintenance schedule.

Probe to Spindle alignment adjustment

The run-out adjustment procedure is necessary to ensure that the center of the probe tip is aligned with the center of the spindle rotation axis. This eliminates any undesired off-sets between the probe and the cutting tool centers when digitizing or doing automated part set-up.

Required Tools:

- 3/32” hex wrench
- 0.001” or better Test Indicator with Magnetic Base
- 0.500” Dedicated Tool Holder



Touch Probe Concentricity alignment

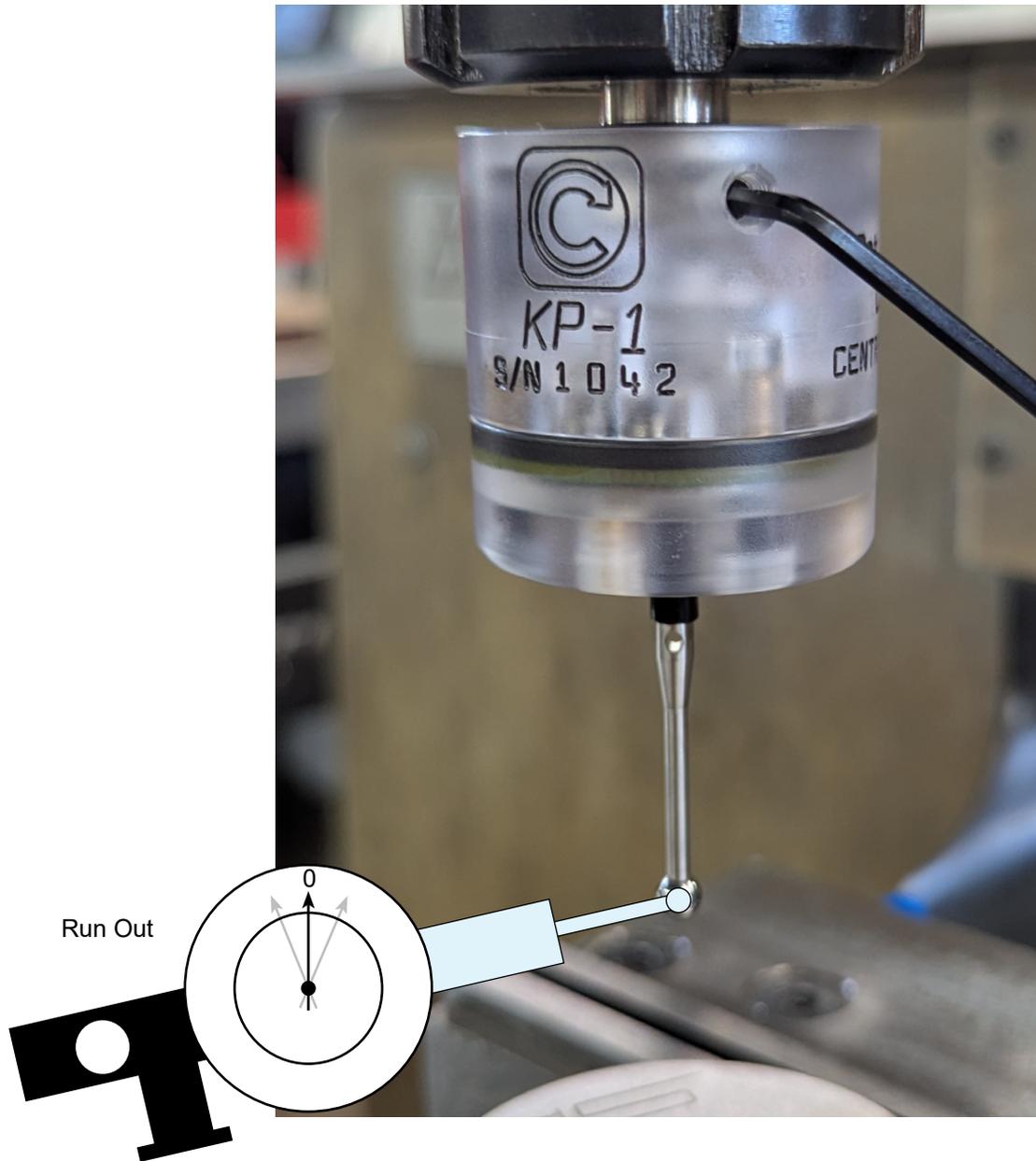
STEP 1: Install the KP-1 Probe into the dedicated 0.500" tool holder in the machine spindle.

STEP 2: Position the dial indicator, as shown in the photo below, with the finger of the dial indicator on the front and center of the stylus ball. Insert the 3/32" hex wrench in the run-out adjustment set screw directly above the finger of the dial indicator. Loosen the set screw by turning the hex wrench counter clockwise while watching the dial indicator reading decrease. Turn the hex wrench clockwise and watch the dial indicator reading increase.



STEP 3: Rotate the spindle by hand (without touching the probe) so that the probe spins through a full 360 degrees and watch the dial indicator to locate the high and low run-out rotation positions of the stylus. Adjust the dial indicator so that the entire run-out of the tip can be seen on the dial. If the run-out exceeds the range of the dial then begin at the highest point of the run-out and set the dial indicator so it is at the limit of its range at this point.

STEP 4: Rotate the probe so that the nearest run-out adjustment set screw is above the finger tip of the indicator. Using the 3/32" hex wrench slowly turn the setscrew directly above the indicator finger, in the counter clock-wise direction, the dial indicator will show the reduction in the run-out. Stop loosening this set screw and tighten the set screw that was nearest the low run-out position. Do not allow the probe to become loose on the mounting shank by adjusting in small increments. Adjust in increments that are about one third of the remaining run-out.



STEP 5: Repeat steps 4 until no run-out of the tip is visible on the dial indicator needle. If a set screws become too tight before you have finished the adjustment, do not force them, instead loosen the setscrew that corresponds with the highest reading on the dial indicator, and tighten the set screw at the lowest reading. Only adjust a set screw when it is directly above the indicator finger. This way you can see the full effect of the adjustment you are making. The final small adjustment is best made by loosening a set screw at the high point of run-out.



Turning the set screw Clockwise moves the screw in,

Causing the probe body to move out.



Turning the set screw Counter Clockwise moves the screw out,

causing the probe body to move in.



Touch Probe “Pre-Travel” stylus diameter calibration procedure.

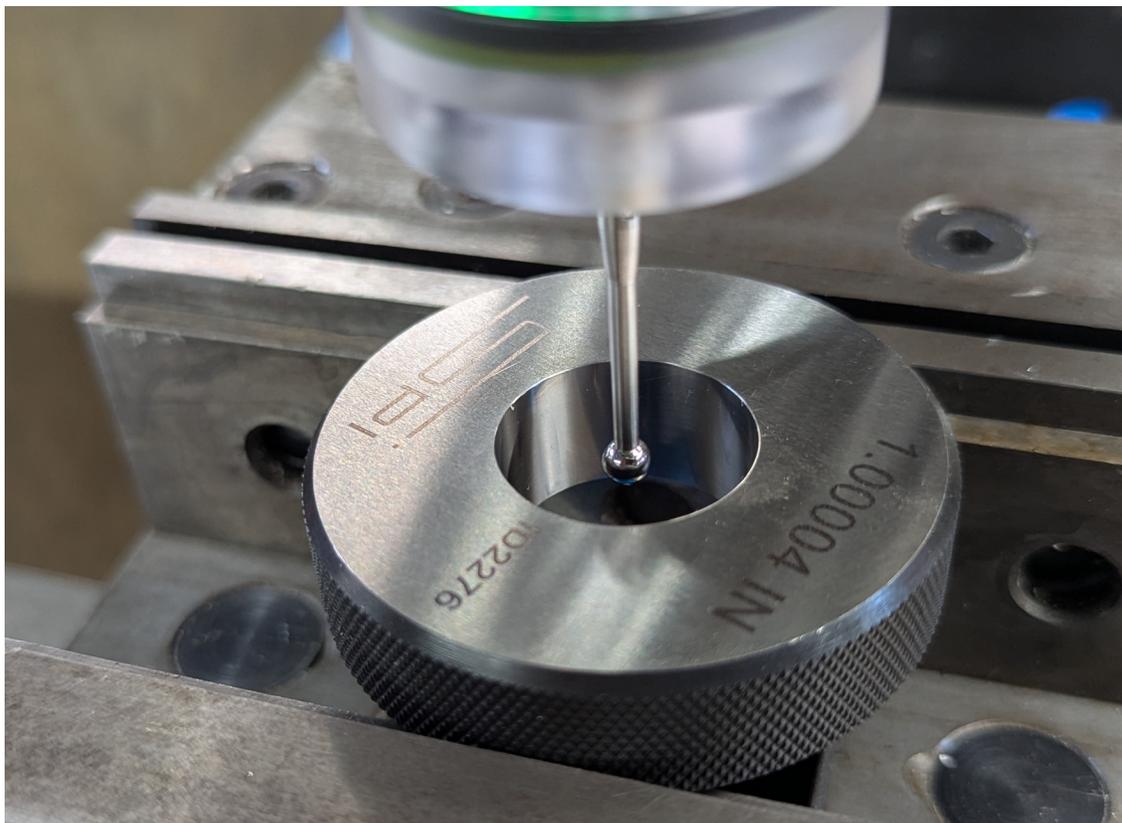
Simply entering the value of the probe tip diameter in the tool library will not produce accurate Probing position results. Each Stylus has a “Pre-Travel” adjusted diameter. This is a diameter that has been compensated for that particular stylus pre-travel amount.

Pre-travel is the amount of deflection of the stylus tip before the probe detects the surface. This value varies depending on the length of the stylus and the speed and direction that the stylus tip is moving when it makes contact with the surface being probed or digitized. Machine characteristics including lash and input latency also contribute to the need to calibrate the stylus diameter. Each stylus has its own pre travel compensated diameter value. The Stylus Pre Travel Calibration should be performed each time a new stylus is used. The compensated pre travel amount for each stylus can be recorded and re-entered as the diameter for the Probe tool number when switching stylus from one to another.

Stylus diameter calibration procedure.

1.) Fixture a precision ring gauge on the machine tool. The ring must lie flat on the work table/vise with the center line of the bore aligned with the center line of the probe stylus/spindle. Make sure the probe is plugged in and working and test before use! Go to the Tool Library Offset menu and set the diameter for the Probe Tool Number to 0.0000 in our case Tool 10 is the Probe Tool number so we set Diameter 10 to 0.0000

2.) Jog the probe over the center (roughly) of the ring gauge, and then slowly jog the Z-axis down until the tip of the probe is inside the bore and not touching anything.



3.) Starting with CNC12 v5.20+, CNC12 has a built in Probe Stylus Calibration routine which can be access through the Probing menu “Stylus Calibration” (and is also available through the Virtual Control Panel “UTILS” menu).

WCS #1 (G54) Current Position (mm) Job Name: 1001hh.tap
 X +0.0000 Tool: T10 H10 20000
 Y -254.0000 Feedrate: 100% 0.0 mm/m Part Cnt: 0
 Z +50.8000 Spindle: 0 A Part # 1: 0
 A +0.000° Rapid Rate: 100% 0:00:11

8040 WARNING: PROBE TRIPPED
 313 Waiting for dwell time
 4042 Probe Cleared
 306 Job finished
 Press CYCLE CANCEL to cancel

Calibrate Probe Stylus PreTravel Diameter (Tool 10)
 Input Ring Gauge Diameter and press Cycle Start.
 25

Bore Boss Slot Web
 Inside Corner Outside Corner Single Axis Find Angle

Probe diameter (Tool #10): 0.000 Record Probing Data (. \probe_cycles_history.txt) On

Esc Bore Boss Slot Web Inside Corner Outside Corner Single Axis Find Angle Probe Setup Stylus Calibration
 F1 F2 F3 F4 F5 F6 F7 F8 F9 F10

Enter the ring gauge diameter, press enter

Enter the stylus ball diameter, press enter

WCS #1 (G54) Current Position (mm) Job Name: 1001hh.tap
 X +0.0000 Tool: T10 H10 20000
 Y -254.0000 Feedrate: 100% 0.0 mm/m Part Cnt: 0
 Z +50.8000 Spindle: 0 A Part # 1: 0
 A +0.000° Rapid Rate: 100% 0:04:04

8040 WARNING: PROBE TRIPPED
 313 Waiting for dwell time
 4042 Probe Cleared
 306 Job finished
 Press CYCLE CANCEL to cancel

Probing Cycles
 Input Probe Stylus Diameter and press Cycle Start.
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Bore Boss Slot Web
 Inside Corner Outside Corner Single Axis Find Angle

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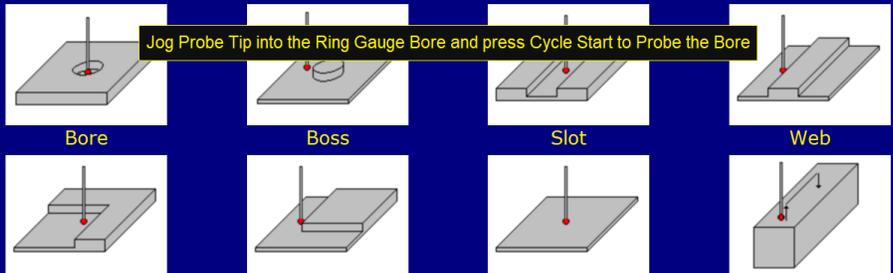
Verify KP-1 Touch Probe is working, positioned in the ring gauge bore and Press Cycle Start to run the automatic calibration cycle.

WCS #1 (G54) Current Position (mm) Job Name: 1001hh.tap
 Tool: T10 H10 20000
 Feedrate: 100% 0.0 mm/m Part Cnt: 0
 Spindle: 0 A Part #1: 0
 Rapid Rate: 100% 0:06:59

8040 WARNING: PROBE TRIPPED
 313 Waiting for dwell time
 4042 Probe Cleared
 306 Job finished

Probing Cycles

Jog Probe Tip into the Ring Gauge Bore and press Cycle Start to Probe the Bore



Probe diameter (Tool #10): 0.000 Record Probing Data (.\\probe_cycles_history.txt)

Bore	Boss	Slot	Web	Inside Corner	Outside Corner	Single Axis	Find Angle	Probe Setup	Stylus Calibration
F1	F2	F3	F4	F5	F6	F7	F8	F9	F10

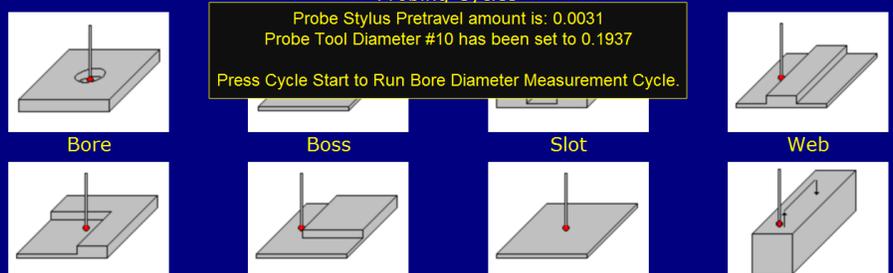
ACORN CNC Control Panel: AUTO SPINDLE MAN, 100%, M3, M4, SET WCS XY0, SET WCS Z0, Auto Z to PLATE, PARK, SET Rotary WCS, M55, GOTO WCS XY0, LIMIT SWITCH DEFEAT, M58, LASER SET XY, LASER ON/OFF, RESET HOME, AUTO MAN, DUST Collector, Hold Down VAC, Air Blow, Change TOOL, INCR CONT, x1, x10, x100, MPG, A+, Y+, Z+, X-, X+, A-, Y-, Z-, SINGLE BLOCK, TOOL CHECK, FEED HOLD, RAPID FEED, FEED Override 100%, 25%, 50%, 75%, RESET, PRESS TO RESET, OK, UTILS, VCP OPTIONS, FREE

WCS #5 (G58) Current Position (Inches) Job Name: DP-7B_3D_Test_Suite Rev 1.cnc
 Tool: T10 H10 20000
 Feedrate: 94% 0.0 ipm Part Cnt: 0
 Spindle: 0 A Part #1: 2
 0:03:26

302 Moving...
 306 Job finished
 341 Probing Cycle finished
 301 Stopped
 2035 KEYBOARD JOGGING DISABLED
 302 Moving...
 Press CYCLE CANCEL to cancel

Probing Cycles

Probe Stylus Pretravel amount is: 0.0031
 Probe Tool Diameter #10 has been set to 0.1937
 Press Cycle Start to Run Bore Diameter Measurement Cycle.



Probe diameter (Tool #10): 0.1250 Record Probing Data (.\\probe_cycles_history.txt)

Bore	Boss	Slot	Web	Inside Corner	Outside Corner	Single Axis	Find Angle	Stylus Calibration
F1	F2	F3	F4	F5	F6	F7	F8	F10

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Results are displayed when stylus calibration is completed.

Now run the Center of Bore Probing cycle which will measure the diameter and find the XY center position.

The screenshot displays a CNC control interface with the following information:

- WCS #1 (G54) Current Position (Inches):**
 - X: +0.4199
 - Y: -0.2099
 - Z: -1.6266
 - A: +0.000°
- Job Name:** sample_asymmetrical_rotary.cnc
- Tool:** T6 H---
- Feedrate:** 100% 0.0 ipm
- Spindle:** 0 A
- Rapid Rate:** 100%
- Messages:**
 - 347 Reset Cleared
 - 490 Reset Initiated, Press Reset to Clear
 - 347 Reset Cleared
 - 5067 FAST_JOG_SELECTED
- Press CYCLE START to start job**
- Distance to Go:**
 - X: +0.0000
 - Y: +0.0000
 - Z: +0.0000
 - A: +0.000°
- Center of Bore:**
 - 1. Position probe inside hole
 - 2. Press CYCLE START to start
- Machine Coord.:**
 - X: +0.4199
 - Y: -0.2099
 - Z: -1.6266
 - A: +0.000°
- Control Panel:**
 - Buttons for AUTO SPINDLE MAN, SET WCS XY, SET WCS Z, Auto Z to PLATE, PARK, SET Rotary WCS, M55, GOTO WCS XY, LIMIT SWITCH DEFEAT, M58, LASER SET XY, LASER ON/OFF, RESET HOME, AUTO MAN, DUST Collector, Hold Down VAC, Air Blow, Change TOOL, INCR CONT, x1, x10, x100, MPG, A+, Y+, Z+, X-, X+, A-, Y-, Z-, SINGLE BLOCK, TOOL CHECK, FEED HOLD, RAPID FEED, FEED Override 100%, 25%, 50%, 75%, RESET, PRESS TO RESET, OK, UTILS, VCP OPTIONS, FREE.

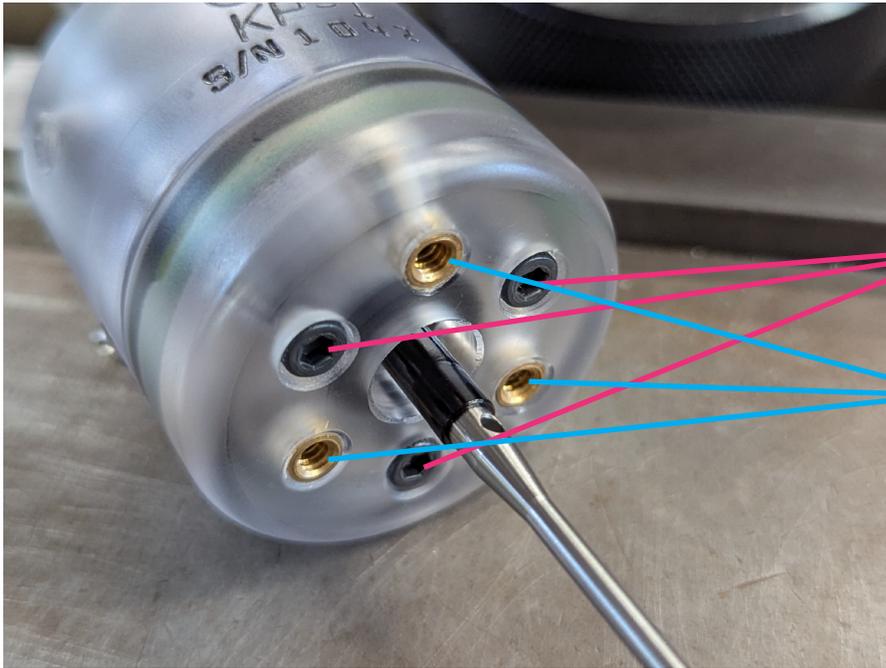
You should see a bore measurement value result very close to the actual Bore diameter. If not, you can tweak the probe stylus pretravel calibration diameter and repeat the bore probing cycle as needed to obtain as close a measurement as possible to the actual ring gauge diameter. Assuming the machine has low backlash and the probe is accurate, it is possible to obtain $\pm .0002$ " repeatability when measuring the ring gauge diameter with a good probe and a machine in good condition.

The Probe Stylus Calibration is now complete. Probe is ready for probing and digitizing!

Each different Stylus will have a different pretravel compensated calibration diameter. Do this procedure for each stylus. Make a table and record the calibrated diameter values for each stylus. Be sure to update the Probe Diameter in the Tool Library to match the stylus being used when swapping out to a new stylus!

Special Cases

There are three screws on the bottom of the KP-1, these are the angular adjustment screws, these are set at the factory and in general do not need to be adjusted.



Cap mounting screws, do not loosen Factory Set

Angular Alignment jack screws Factory Set

Angular Alignment:

Angular alignment is the relation of the spindle center line to the stylus stem center line. This adjustment is SET AT THE FACTORY. This adjustment is rarely needed except when extremely small or long stylus or a straight shank stylus (shank is same diameter as ball end) is used. Typically verifying that the Angular Alignment is not grossly off is all that is needed. The angular alignment and run-out adjustments are not the same thing but are interdependent. The run-out at the stylus mount end of the stylus stem should be nearly the same as the runout at the tip. (Note: Adjust the stylus tip run-out after checking the Angular Alignment). Note: Special cases When the stylus tip and stem are nearly the same diameter this adjustment is critical to keep the stem from contacting a vertical surface before the tip. This adjustment is also convenient to adjust parallelism when flat disc or block stylus types are used.

To check the angular alignment begin by sweeping in the KP-1 at the base of the stylus stem (the end away from the tip) with the dial indicator. If the run-out indicated at this point is greater than the difference between the stylus tip diameter and stem diameter then it will be possible for the stem to contact a vertical surface before the tip (also called "shanking out"). In this case angular adjustment is needed. If the difference between the tip diameter and the stem diameter is less than the measured run out, no Angular adjustment is needed.

Maintenance and Care

- Do not use compressed air to clean the KP-1 as this may force contaminants into the electrical connector and inside the Probe body damaging the probe.
- Do not use Compressed Air to blow off parts near the KP-1 the reflected air stream full of debris will risk damage to probe.
- Do not submerge the KP-1 and avoid direct flow of coolant or wash down
- Do not expose to excessive heat (120F/50C +), KP-1 Operating Temperature 50-95F/10-35C.
- Wipe off excess liquids to prevent degradation of the rubber seal and Probe body
- Do not use harsh thinners such as acetone, tri chlor, or gasoline to clean the KP-1.
- The KP-1 body and end cap is polycarbonate and should only be wiped clean with compatible cleaners. Use water based detergents to clean or WD40 with micro cloth.



- Once a year, open the oil fill hole and add a 3-4 drops of [Deoxit 5](#) to ensure the kinematic seat is maintained. Be VERY careful not to introduce any dust, dirt, water or other type of contamination when the oil fill hole is open! One spec of dirt will contaminate the precision kinematic seat that has been factory assembled in a clean room. Alternatively only pure clean mineral oil or Deoxit Gold may be used if Deoxit 5 is not available. Do not use any other liquids as it will damage the KP-1.
- Do not ship or store the probe with the stylus mount boss pushed into the probe body as this will negatively affect internal lubrication.
- Store KP-1 vertical with nose pointing down this keeps oil on the kinematic seat preventing corrosion.
- The KP-1 has no internal user serviceable parts or adjustments and should only be serviced by Centroid.
- Alignment adjustments. Regularly check alignment. Any time the probe is removed from its holder, the stylus is changed or the probe is used in a different machine, the alignment procedure should be repeated to ensure accuracy.
- Repeat the alignment procedure if the unit is dropped or receives any sudden external shock.
- It is good practice to periodically check alignment for quality control and to establish a base line maintenance schedule. See "Stylus Installation and Alignment Procedures" section of this manual.

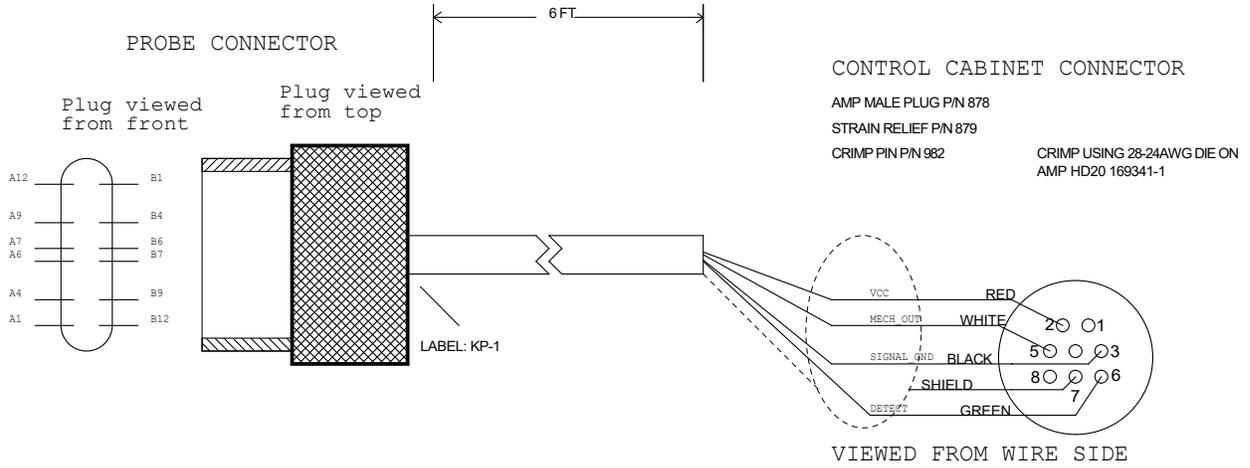
KP-1 cable for Oak/Allin1DC/MPU11/M400/T400/M39 based CNC controllers

KP-1 Kit with twist plug cable



KP-1 Probe Cable for use with Oak/Allin1DC/MPU11/M400/T400/M39 based CNC controllers

KP-1 CPC CABLE
ASSEMBLY NUMBER 15431



USB Pin	Signal	Color
A4, B4, A9, B9	VCC	RED
A7, B7	MECH	WHITE
A6, B6	DETECT	GREEN
SHIELD	SHIELD	N/A
A1, B1, A12, B12	GND	BLACK

Signal	Color	Equivalent CPC Pin
-V SUPPLY	RED	2
INPUT 772 TT DETECT		4
INPUT 771 PROBE DETECT	GRN	6
0v COM		8
INPUT 769 PROBE MECH	WHT	5
0v COM	BLK	3
INPUT 770 PROBE DSP		1
NOT USED		
SHIELD DRAIN	SHLD	7

Note: If 982 does not work reliably, try using AMP 66507-[].
 66507-[] is same terminal but for 28-24awg rather than 24-20awg

Testing at the bench found that 982 holds well when crimped to the sizes of wires found in USB cables with the 28-24awg die set.
 They should not come off unless the copper itself breaks.
 Insulation crimp holds better on that die too.

240108 Connector drawing updated

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KP-1 CPC CABLE

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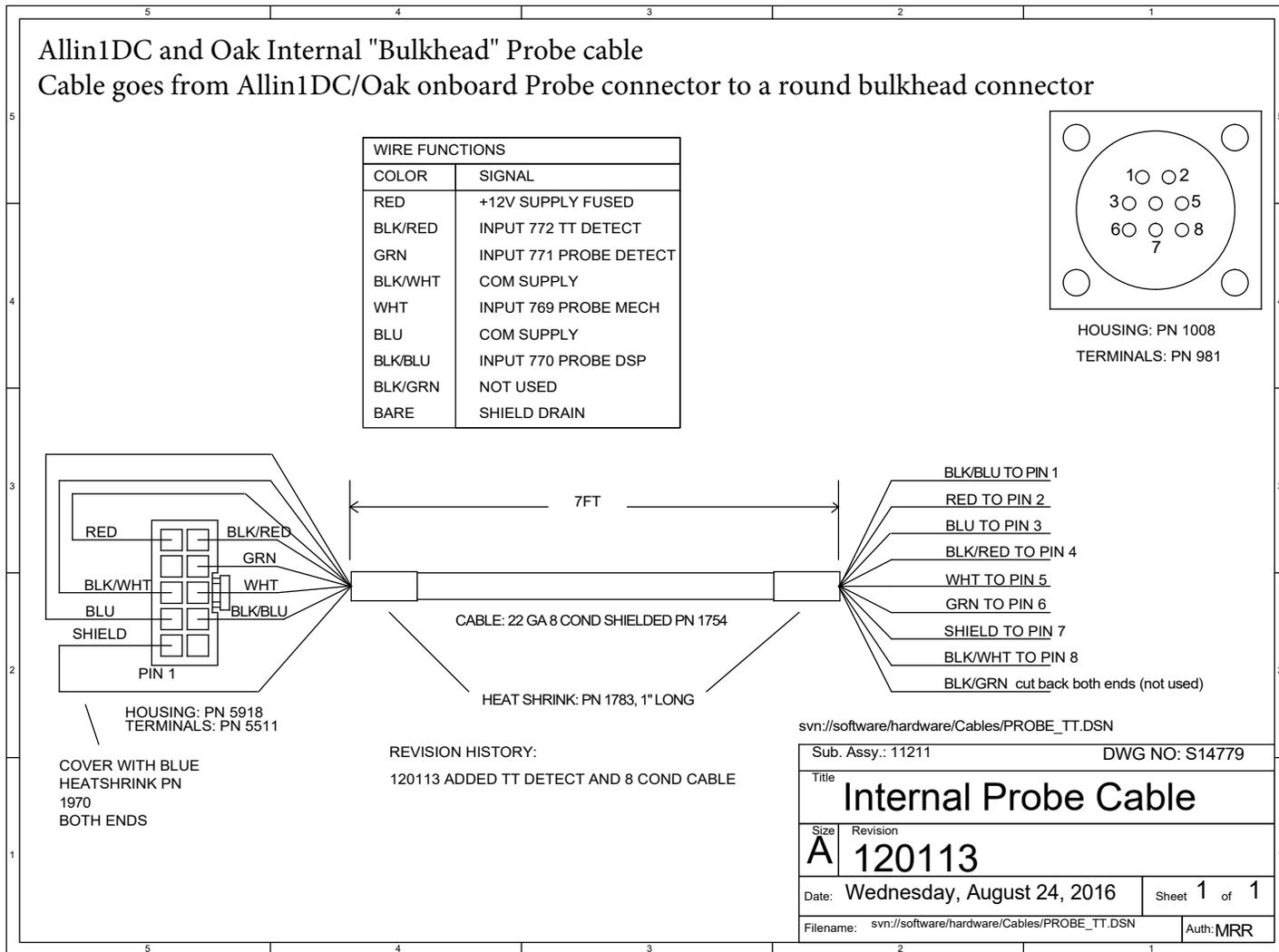
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All Centroid factory built CNC controllers have a Probe Cable connection factory installed with the mating twist on "bulk-head" connector that is prewired to the controller and is ready to go. Just plug in any Centroid Probe and you are good to go.

For those building their own CNC control cabinets with Oak or Allin1DC platforms the "Probe Bulkhead Cable" can be purchased separately to facilitate easy plug and play connections from the Oak or Allin1DC controller to the Touch Probe cable. (#1211) and can be purchased here. <https://shopcentroidcnc.com/shop/cnc-accessories/probe-internal-6-cable-with-bulkhead-connector/>



Same style internal probe bulk head connector cable for Hickory and AcornSix can be purchased here. <https://shopcentroidcnc.com/shop/cnc-accessories/probe-internal-6-cable-with-bulkhead-connector-for-acornsix-hickory/>

CNC12 KP-1 configuration for Oak and Allin1DC

CNC12 V4.16+ requires a Pro or Ultimate License for Probe functionality.

Oak/Allin1DC control system parameters below are the recommended basic settings SAE Inch and Millimeters in (mm) These are the suggested starting values. Some of these parameters are typically adjusted by the integrator/user to suit the probing/digitizing application. F1 setup, F3 config, type in password (137), F3 parameters.

Parameter	Setting	Description
11	50769	The PLC input for the Probe signal
12	10	Tool Library number of the Probe
13	0.020 (.508)	Clearance amount nominal
14	30 (762)	Fast Probing Rate
15	3 (76.2)	Slow Probing Rate
16	5 (127)	Maximum Search Distance
18	50771	PLC input, Spindle Inhibit/probe connected
120	0.020 (0.508)	Probe stuck clearance amount
121	0.020 (0.508)	Grid digitizing minimum Z pullback
122	0.0002 (0.005)	Grid digitizing dead band distance
123	0	Radial clearance move
151	0	Repeatability tolerance
153	1	Probe protection enable
155	0	Probe type enable
186	1	Probe stuck retry disable
366	1	Probe deceleration Multiplier

Probe Jog Parameters: Good Starting Numbers. Limit operator machine jogging speeds when the probe is connected. Jogging speeds must allow the probe to decelerate to a stop when contacting a surface without exceeding overtravel limits. See probe specifications and set fast probing rates so that over travel specification is not exceeded. Probe will be damaged if over travel limit is exceeded by any large amount.

F1 Setup, F3 Config, F3 Machine, F1 Jog, F8 Probe Jog

Axis	Probe Slow Jog	Probe Fast Jog -	Probe Fast Jog +
1	25	150	150
2	25	150	150
3	25	25-75	150
4	25	100	100

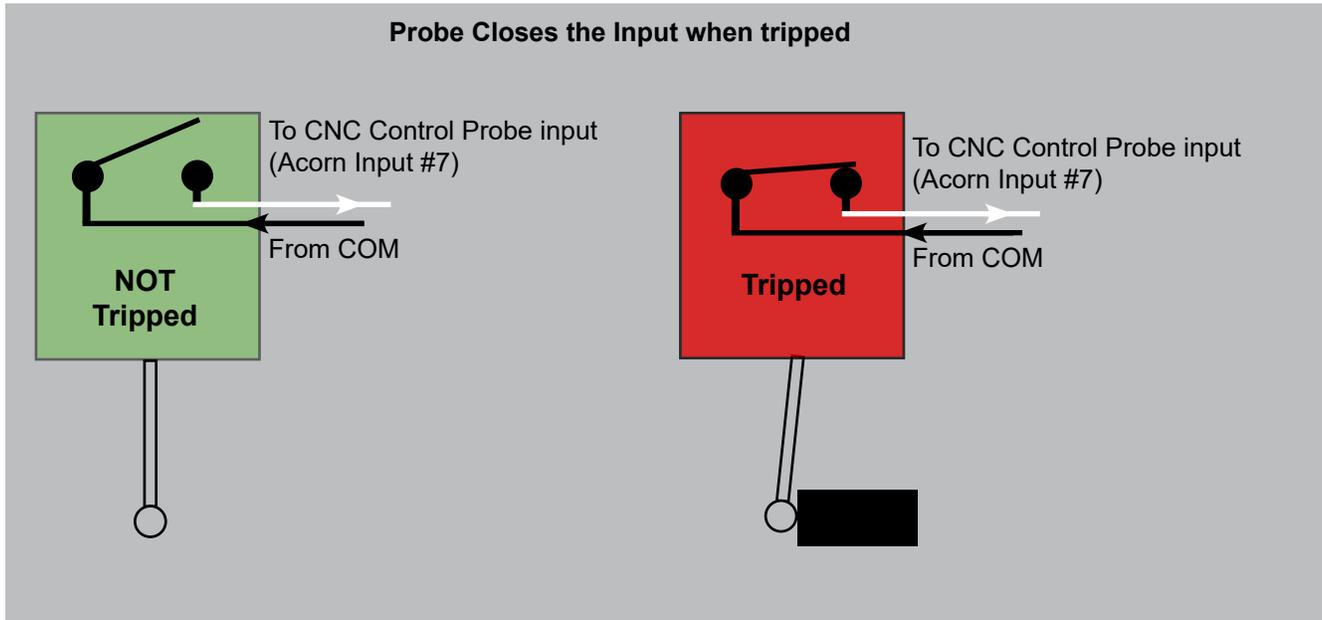
Note: Its a good idea to limit the Z negative (axis 3) to the slow jog value! so you are less likely to jog fast in Z negative direction and damage the probe.

KP-1 wiring and use with other CNC controls

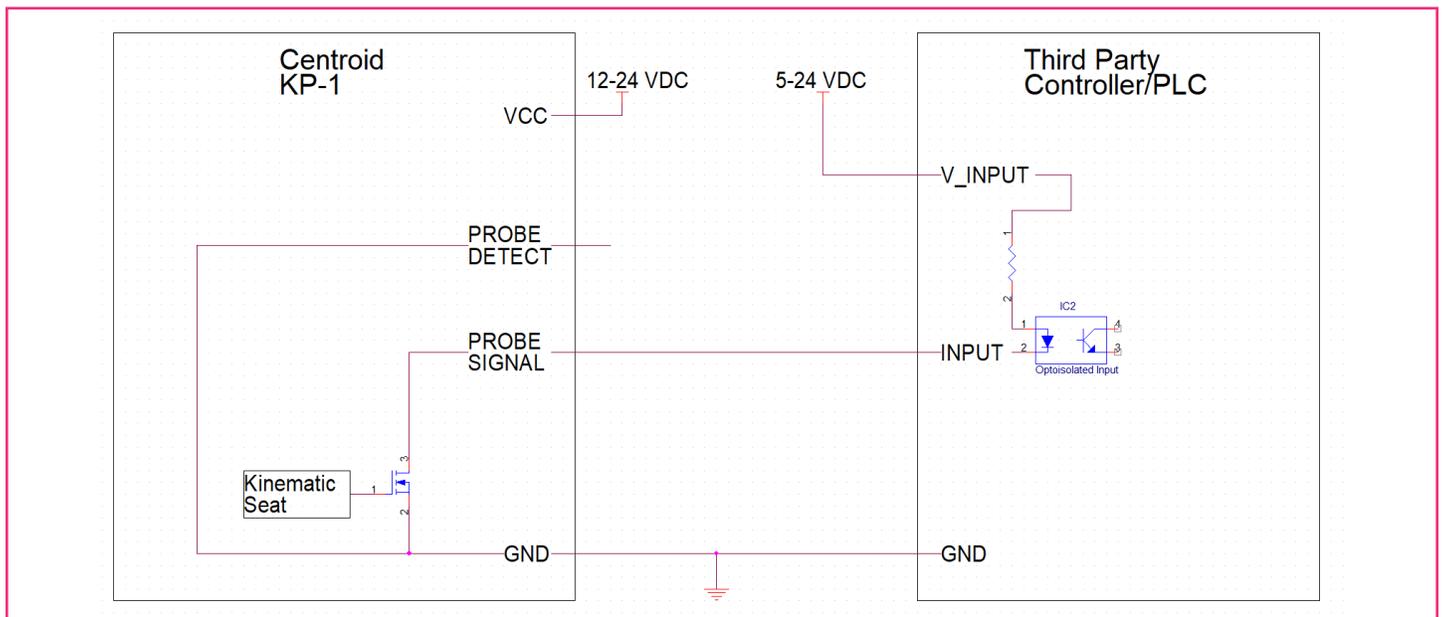
The KP-1 is compatible with most any CNC control with an input for a probe.

The KP-1 itself is a kinematic probe which simply has continuity through the precision kinematic seat (a super accurate switch) when tripped. The KP-1 does have a printed circuit board which processes the kinematic switch signal.

When the probe is not tripped there is no continuity through the Probe cable white and black wires, and when the probe is tripped the switch there is continuity through the white and black wires.



KP-1 has the Kinematic seat built onto the internal circuit board, when connecting to third party PLC's and Controllers, The KP-1 PROBE_SIGNAL is an open collector output. It connects PROBE_SIGNAL to GND when the probe tip contacts a surface.



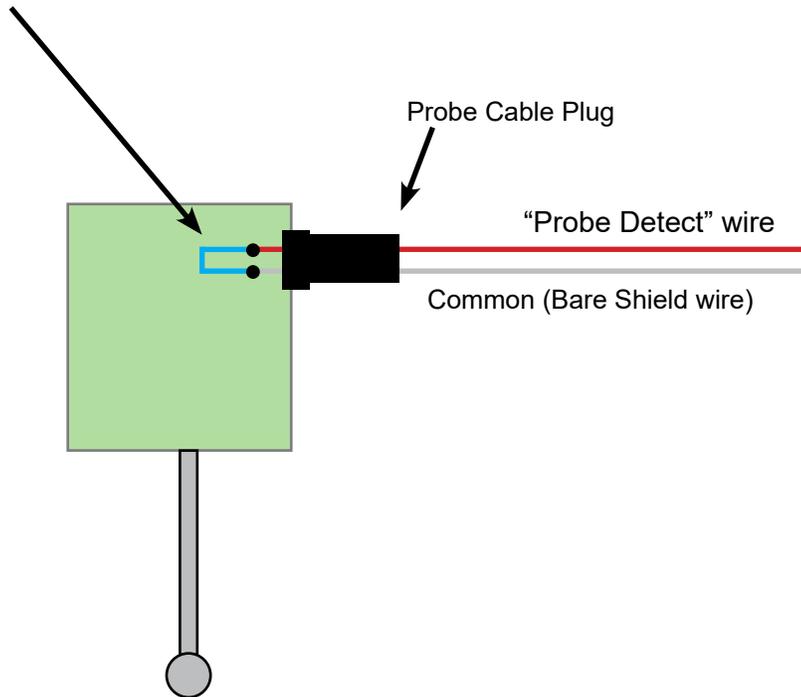
Probe Detection Input Circuit:

The Probe DETECTION Circuit CLOSSES the “Probe Detect” Input when Probe is plugged in.

Centroid KP-1 has a simple Probe Detection Circuit built into the probe which when the probe is plugged in by the operator lets CNC12 know that a probe is active and in use. This detection input tells CNC12 to start activate Probe Protection. For instance, the spindle will be disabled so the user can not turn on the spindle with the probe plugged in, probe protection will also stop all movement if a probe is tripped unexpectedly to try and prevent crashing of the probe.

After CNC12 sees an “unexpected probe contact” (a probe trigger event not during a probing cycle) it will only allow the user to jog in the opposite direction that the probe was moving when the contact occurred to prevent the user from accidentally moving the probe further into the contact direction causing damage to the probe. So, you can see it is important to use a Probe Detection input.

An internal “jumper” connects Red probe cable “Probe Detection” wire to common together. This is wired to the CNC control input that is set to ‘sense’ whether the probe is plugged in or not. Typically the CNC control software will inhibit the spindle from being allowed to turn on when the probe is plugged in.



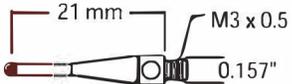
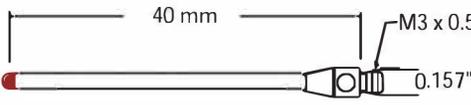
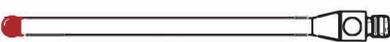
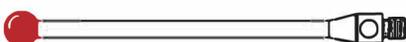
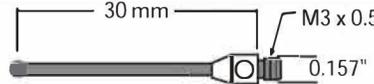
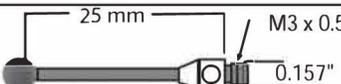
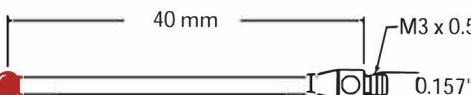
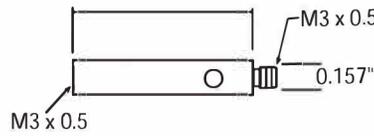
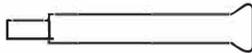
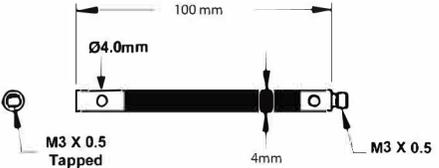
Centroid CNC12 has “unexpected probe contact” logic to help avoid accidental crashes based on the Probe Detection input.

When using the KP-1 with third party PLC's or CNC controllers the detection circuit is optional. The KP-1 works with or without the use of the detection circuit.

Additional KP-1 Styli can be purchased on our website

<https://shopcentroidcnc.com/shop/cnc-accessories/replacement-styli-for-kp-3-dp-4-and-dp-7/>

Centroid CNC Touch Probe Styli KP-1, KP-3, DP-4, DP-7

3355	1mm dia. ruby tip, carbide stem, 21 mm		
3356	2mm dia. ruby tip, carbide stem, 40mm		
3357	2.5mm dia. ruby tip, carbide stem, 40mm		
3358	3mm dia. ruby tip, carbide stem, 40mm		
3359	4mm dia. ruby tip, carbide stem, 40mm		
3360	5mm dia. ruby tip, carbide stem, 40mm		
2904	5mm dia. steel tip, steel stem, 30mm		
5326	6mm dia. steel tip, steel stem, 25mm		
3511	.125" dia. ruby tip, carbide stem		
3510	.25" dia. ruby tip, carbide stem		
Tools & Accessories	3361	30mm stylus extension	
	2903	Stylus tightening pin	
	8190	100mm ceramic extension	

Related Resources

KP-1 Unboxing Video

<https://youtu.be/HbOMSKYuy6g>

KP-1 Setup Video.

<https://youtu.be/a6LVseKI7do>

Related Acorn General DIY Probe and TT setup Manual

https://www.centroidcnc.com/centroid_diy/downloads/acorn_documentation/acorn_probe_setup.pdf

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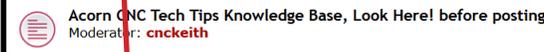
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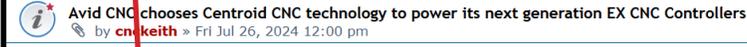
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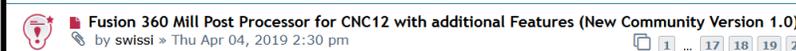
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